



THE WEEKLY WORD

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First Word ... from Peter Kent, Headteacher

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Often those who look at the school from the outside and see the way in which very high standards have been maintained for so long, assume that we do this by focusing upon examinations and very little else. In reality, nothing could be further from the truth. Our busy Easter term reflects the very broad range of experiences that are offered to our students. Duke of Edinburgh Expeditions to Bakewell, Matlock and Wales, a splendid production of 'A Midsummer Night's Dream', robotics and mathematics competitions, geography trips... I could go on and on. In addition, there were more sporting fixtures than I could possibly list here (I notice that one of them was a staff vs pupils hockey match, organised by Miss Woolliscroft in which I am told the staff 'narrowly came second' by a score of 7:2).

What particularly strikes me about all of these activities is that we are only able to offer so much to students because my colleagues voluntarily give up so much of their own time. On behalf of us all I would like to pass on a huge thank you to them for being willing to go the extra mile (literally and metaphorically) so that students can take away as much as possible from their time at LSS.

After the end of an unusually long Easter term, I think that we are now all ready for a break. However, for students in Years 11, 12 and 13, Easter should be the point at which very serious preparation begins for public examinations, particularly since there is so little time left when we return from the holiday. Boys are not known for their ability to manage their time. Many seem to work on the basis that they will put off revision until what they perceive to be the last possible moment, despite the best attempts of parents and teachers to promote a more measured approach. Soon after we return from the Easter break, students in Years 11 and 12 will find themselves starting public examinations, with Year 13 students following close behind. In these circumstances, deciding to start revision after Easter would be a terrible mistake. It is crucially important that students take every chance over the coming weeks to maximise their potential grades. Students in Year 11 should be spending a couple of hours each day revising, whilst members of the sixth form should be doing considerably more.

I would like to wish everyone in the school community a restful and enjoyable Easter break. **Peter Kent**



In September 2018 **Lawrence Sheriff School** underwent unprecedented change and girls were admitted into the Sixth Form community. As a result of this we now have girls on the Senior Prefect Body.

This month, April 2019, **Bella Semple** and **Kieran McNicholas** were appointed Head Girl and Head Boy and they will officially take up their new roles in June.

The 12 Head Prefects, of whom there are 5 females, are also now in post. These Head Prefects each manage a team of 6 Senior prefects who help in the day-to-day running of the school.

This progressive development at Lawrence Sheriff School we know will provide an improved student perspective both in the sixth form and the wider school community.



YEAR 10

PARENT CONSULTATION EVENING

THURSDAY 16 MAY 2019

Bookings for the Year 10 parent consultation evening will open via Insight on Tuesday 30th April

If you require any assistance logging in and using Insight please email: Issinsight@lawrencesherriffschool.com

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**Teresa Mpofo
Deputy Headteacher**

Warwickshire School Health & Wellbeing Service and Warwickshire Young Persons Substance Misuse Service has launched a new way for parents and carers of school aged children to get confidential advice and support about child health related issues. ChatHealth is an award-winning school nurse messaging service and is available Monday to Friday from 9am to 5pm. There will be automatic bounce-back responses to incoming messages out of hours. Answering the text message will be a nurse who can assist with any queries about general health, child development, behaviour, toileting and emotional health and wellbeing issues. The text number is: **07520 619 376**.

The opportunity to discuss any health issues relating to your child is always available and the School Health and Wellbeing Service can be contacted on: **03300 245 204**.

**Warwickshire School Health & Wellbeing Service
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**CHANGE OF DATE FOR
EASTER CONCERT**

Owing to the heating renovations in Big School the date of our **Easter Concert** has been moved to:

**Tuesday 7th May 2019
7.00 pm
Big School**

Tickets are available from the school office priced at £5 (£3 concessions)

Thank you